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The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality issued a Letter of No Objection to the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry for the establishment of temporary wet log storage areas.

The LDAF will coordinate the sitting and location of these yards and coordinate with the LDEQ to ensure that environmental controls and best management practices are implemented as necessary to minimize the impact to the environment. These temporary yards will allow for the storage of some of the estimated 3 billion board feet that has been destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.

These wet yards will preserve and allow this valuable timber to be used during this time of need for construction and building materials. In addition, these yards will reduce the need to dispose of these materials or leave it in the woods to decompose. Further, these yards will provide immediate jobs for timber harvesters and yard operators.

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